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REMARKS

- Claims 1-7, 15-26 and 28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103.
- Claim 7 is objected to for informalities.
- Claims 8 – 14 and 27 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.
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Applicant respectfully traverses all the outstanding rejections and requests reconsideration and withdrawal thereof in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 7 has been amended to delete the typographical error.

Therefore no new matter has been added.

Discussion of 37 CFR 1.131 Declaration

The Applicants have submitted herewith a Declaration under 37 CFR 1.131 swearing behind the Hong reference and the Ballay reference. The rejections under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) based on Hong and Ballay are therefore overcome. Kindly withdraw the rejections based upon Hong and Ballay.

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Prayer For Relief

In view of the amendments and the discussion above, the Claims of the present application are in condition for allowance. Kindly withdraw any rejections and objections and allow this application to issue as a United States Patent without further delay.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 1 - 28 define patentable subject matter. The remaining claims depend from the independent claims and therefore also define patentable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103.

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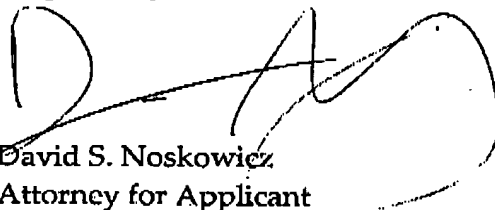
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CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully submit this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-28 are earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions, comments, or suggestions, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number indicated below.

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